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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO
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KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 13 copies of a LHM relating to the captioned individual's affiliation with the NKKKK.

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7 - Bureau (Encl. 13) (RM)
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[redacted] confidential source is [redacted]
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[redacted] confidential source is [redacted]
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[redacted] confidential source is [redacted]
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[redacted] confidential source is [redacted]

The interviews described within were conducted on
the dates indicated by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]

Inasmuch as [redacted] advised that he is not currently a member of the NKKKK, and that he has no intention of becoming involved in such a group and since information from [redacted] indicating [redacted] membership card had been taken from him by [redacted] and Ohio Klansmen as set out within, this case is marked closed. Chicago will remain alert regarding any information concerning [redacted] and will report such information, if developed, to the Bureau by appropriate communication.

Copies of this communication are being designated for Atlanta as office of origin of the NKKKK for indexing purposes, and for the Cleveland Division for information purposes. Copies of the enclosed LHM have also been designated for the U.S. Attorney and U.S. Secret Service, both Chicago, Illinois, and for the U.S. Army, Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois. Copies also designated for Kansas City and Springfield for information.

A search of the files of the Identification Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C., as checked on November 9, 1966, failed to disclose any record of [redacted]

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Chicago, Illinois
July 19, 1967

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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On September 7, 1966, a confidential source advised that [redacted] of Chicago, Illinois, accepted a \$15.00 check from a [redacted] of Dalton, Georgia, making [redacted] a member of the Klan. He also swore in a [redacted] also of Dalton Georgia, as the Great Titan of the district from Cartersville, Georgia, to Cleveland, Tennessee. This same source further advised that the activity described above occurred at the Klan rally held at Stone Mountain, Georgia, on September 3 and 4, 1966. Source declared that approximately 2,500 persons attended this rally including Klansmen and three crosses were burned.

A characterization of the NKKKK as a national organization is attached to this memorandum.

On [redacted] a [redacted] confidential source advised that the [redacted] NKKKK, for Ohio obtained [redacted] a four-page brochure entitled, "Federal Witness Says FBI Agents Used Padded Cell and Drug Injections to Get His Signed Statement" from the [redacted]

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Re: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

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Illinois. on [redacted] This source further revealed
that the [redacted] had stated that [redacted] was the
NKKKK [redacted] for the State of Illinois
and was possibly also a Minuteman.

A characterization for the Minutemen as a national
organization is attached to this memorandum.

This same source further related that the brochure
was obtained from [redacted]
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On [redacted] a [redacted] confidential source
advised that a [redacted] of the NKKKK was held
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At this meeting, one of the Ohio Klansman, proposed
that [redacted]
[redacted]

On [redacted] the [redacted] confidential source
advised that an Ohio Klan official traveled to Chicago, Illinois,
on [redacted] In Chicago, he met with the [redacted]
[redacted] who had previously been
appointed [redacted] of the NKKKK for the State of Illinois.

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The Klan official instructed [redacted] on how to organize and evaluated [redacted] in order to report back to James Venable, Imperial Wizard, NKKKK, regarding [redacted] capabilities.

[redacted] revealed that he was a [redacted] years and had resided in the Chicago area for approximately 13 years.

On [redacted] a [redacted] confidential source advised that [redacted] recently stated to him that he, [redacted] is no [redacted] for the NKKKK in Ohio, and that all other Ohio offices must answer to him. [redacted] further stated that he had traveled to the Chicago Illinois area recently and had relieved [redacted] of his membership card in the NKKKK and had removed [redacted] from his position as [redacted] for the State of Illinois. The source further revealed that [redacted] did not indicate if another [redacted] for Illinois had been appointed.

On November 1, 1966, a review of the records of the Chicago Credit Bureau, Incorporated, failed to disclose any identifiable reference with [redacted]

Similarly, on November 3, 1966, a search of the records of the Chicago Police Department failed to reveal any identifiable references to Carlock.

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On January 6, 1967, [redacted] was interviewed by Agents of the FBI relative to his alleged affiliation with the NKKKK. [redacted] declared at such time that he was leaving for his job at the Sunbeam Corporation, Chicago, Illinois, and would be unable to carry on any extended interview at such time. [redacted] further stated that he works from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. each day at the Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago, Illinois, being employed by the brokerage firm of Merrill, Lynch Pierce, Fenner and Smith. [redacted] at such time further stated that his job with the Sunbeam Corporation was a second job which he worked in order to make ends meet. He stated that although he was an [redacted] he was not currently affiliated with any church.

On January 11, 1967, [redacted] was recontacted by representatives of the FBI and he advised as follows:

He initially became interested in the Klan after reading a book written by James Venable, Imperial Wizard,

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NKKKK. He subsequently joined the organization, forwarding his membership application directly to Venable who then appointed him as [redacted] for the State of Illinois. He remarked, however, that he never made any attempt to organize a Klavern in the Chicago area or anywhere else, and observed that he regarded his appointment as [redacted] as a more or less honorary position. During early September 1966, he attended a NKKKK rally at Stone Mountain, Georgia.

Subsequent to his visit to Georgia, [redacted] an Ohio Klansman, visited him and discussed methods of organizing Klansmen, Klan history, et cetera.

He also related that subsequently, [redacted] another Ohio NKKKK member, traveled to Chicago and confiscated his Klan membership card and deposed him as [redacted] for the State of Illinois.

At such time he revealed that although not an officer of the Klan, he considered himself [redacted] insofar as he is sympathetic with their cause but has not participated in any Klan activities other than the above-mentioned Stone Mountain rally in September, 1966. According to him, there were no NKKKK Klaverns operating in the Chicago area or even in Illinois. He also stated that he is on the mailing list of various organizations, one of which is the Minutemen headquartered in Norborne, Missouri, but denied membership in such group. Just prior to the interview's conclusion, [redacted] declared that he did not have a pastorate at present, but that he considered himself a [redacted] and an avowed anti-communist.

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On [redacted] was again recontacted relative to his present affiliation with the captioned group. [redacted] at such time, stated he was not a current Klan member and that he had not participated in any Klan activities since previously interviewed. He revealed that he was currently attempting to secure supporters in the Chicago area for ex-Governor George Wallace of Alabama as a Presidential candidate in 1968, and that his efforts on Wallace's behalf consumed most of his free time. [redacted] reiterated his denial of membership in the Klan, and the interview was then terminated.

The following description was obtained by observation and interview:

Name [redacted]
Sex [redacted]
Race [redacted]
Height [redacted]
Weight [redacted]
Hair [redacted]
Eyes [redacted]
Age [redacted]
Residence [redacted]

Employment [redacted]

On [redacted] a [redacted] confidential source, who is familiar with Klan activities in the State of Illinois, disclosed that he was unfamiliar with [redacted] and had no information concerning him.

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On [redacted] the same source again advised that he was unfamiliar with [redacted] declaring he did not know him to be a member of the Klan.

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**NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
(NKKKK)**

A source advised that on May 22, 1960, the National Grand Council of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan met at Atlanta, Georgia, to discuss consolidation of the Klan's unity of effort and activities to establish a National Fund, and a National Secretary, and to design a new flag. The meeting was attended by representatives of the Federation of the Ku Klux Klan, Alabama; Association of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Association of Georgia Klans, Georgia; Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, North Carolina; Association of South Carolina Klans, South Carolina; Dixie Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Tennessee; and Kyksos Klan, Texas.

This source advised that at a consolidation meeting at Atlanta, Georgia, September 2-5, 1960, at which the North Carolina and Texas Klans were not represented, it was resolved and passed that their name be changed to National Ku Klux Klan.

A [redacted] source advised in [redacted] that several meetings of Klan groups were held during the period 1960 to 1963 in an effort to unite the Klan groups under a single leadership.

The organization was granted a charter in DeKalb County, Georgia, November 1, 1963, under the name National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order."

A [redacted] source advised in [redacted] that the organization had issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-Foreign born.

The [redacted] source advised in [redacted] that the organization has a headquarters in Tucker, Georgia, and the day-to-day operations are under the direction of JAMES R. VENABLE, Chairman.

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APPENDIX

"MINUTEMEN"

The "Minutemen" was organized in June, 1960. Its present headquarters are Norborne, Missouri. and [redacted] Norborne, Missouri, is the [redacted]. Statements by [redacted] and literature distributed by the organization in the past indicated its purpose to be the resistance to, and exposure of, the spread of communist influence within the United States; for the formation of a guerrilla or underground organization to combat the troops of any foreign powers which might eventually occupy this country; and resist passage of laws which would regulate private ownership of firearms.

The Kansas City Star Newspaper, Kansas City, Missouri, has on numerous occasions carried various articles concerning [redacted] and the "Minutemen," wherein it was stated that members of the organization participate in maneuvers utilizing guerrilla tactics with machine guns, mortars, grenades and other firearms.

[redacted] has publicly stated on numerous occasions that the "Minutemen" as an organization does not buy or store arms or ammunition; however, the individual members of the organization maintain arms and ammunition, which is their constitutional right.

"Minutemen" literature mailed to members in the past has furnished instructions in the use of explosives and has also given details for the making of explosive compounds from such readily accessible ingredients as a common fertilizer, ammonium nitrate.

In [redacted] a confidential source advised that [redacted] in a recent message to the national co-ordinators of "Minutemen," announced the "Minutemen" organization was being divided into two separate bodies. One group to be composed directly of members who have been able to maintain complete secrecy of their identity, from both the public and from Government investigative agencies. The second group to be made up of all members who have been publicly identified, or who there is reason to believe have been identified as "Minutemen" members by an agency of the Federal Government.

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"MINUTEMEN"

In announcing the reorganization, [redacted] stated that a complete resistance movement involving total resistance must involve not only guerrilla warfare, but that it must involve psychological and political warfare as well.

[redacted] stated that what he was proposing and trying to effect was to build a political party that as such would have legal immunity, which would serve as a communications network for patriots that have other interests, and among whose members these other patriots can maintain their secrecy of identity. All future correspondence and communications on the national level will be done in the name of the Patriotic Party. [redacted] also advised that if ever called to court, as he expected to be in the future, he was going to state that as far as the national organization is concerned, the "Minutemen" had ceased to exist.

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[redacted] in the announcement, continued to the effect there is no reason why at some future date, when the environment is more conducive to military action, that the Patriotic Party cannot be used once again to pull together various local organizations into one national organization. By acting both as a front and as a means of coordination, the Patriotic Party can be invaluable in the building of a future resistance movement.



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Chicago, Illinois

July 19, 1967

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as above.

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The [Redacted] confidential source, with whom
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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168) DATE: 8/1/67

FROM : *JWJ* SAC, ATLANTA (157-156)

SUBJECT: *W*
BARNESVILLE UNIT
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RM (KLAN)

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Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau, 3/9/67.

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Atlanta, Georgia
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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

0 [redacted] furnished information b2
concerning members of the Barnesville Unit of National b6
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan investigating the death of b7C
John Grant, who was also a member of this Klan Unit. b7D
Grant had been shot and killed after an altercation with
five Negro brothers. These brothers were arrested and
charged with murder, after which [redacted] made
the statement that since the Negroes were in custody, the
Klansmen should wait until they saw what the law did to
the Negroes and if the law did not do anything then they,
the Klansmen, would.

[redacted] advised that recently [redacted]
made the statement that the Negroes who had killed John
Grant had been tried in Spaulding County, Georgia, and
all of these were released except one, who was sentenced
to five years imprisonment [redacted] stated that the
judge hearing the case had made the statement that had
either the prosecution or defense put up one witness, no
one would have been convicted.

[redacted] advised [redacted] seemed satisfied with
the handling of the Negroes and indicated no action would
be taken against these Negro brothers by the Barnesville
Unit of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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Atlanta, Georgia
August 1, 1967

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OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character: RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Reference: Memorandum prepared at Atlanta,
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Atlanta, Georgia

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Cleveland.

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CLEVELANDAT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Will follow and report the activities of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan within the Cleveland Division.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

In view of the rapid deterioration of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan within the Cleveland Division, a 90 day organizational report is being submitted rather than a six month organizational report.

The Cincinnati Office is being furnished one informational copy of this report in view of their interest in this matter.

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RACIAL MATTER - KLAN

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Synopsis:

JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK, on 5/1/67 informed that there are no longer any state officers in Ohio indicating preference for working directly on an individual Klavern basis rather than through a state organization. Klavern #6, Cleveland, has had no meetings since 1/15/67, and recent solicitation of members to initiate activity indicates no interest in Klan. Efforts to recruit UKA members into the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan under the leadership of VENABLE dropped.

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DETAILS:

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) and the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA) are contained in the Appendix Section of this report.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. State Leadership and Connection
With National Organization

NUMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATIONS

[redacted] or [redacted] informed that [redacted] considered to be one of the leaders of the NKKKK in Ohio, and [redacted] of Klavern #6, Cleveland, were in the Atlanta, Georgia area April 29, 30, and May 1, 1967, to witness a Klan initiation.

[redacted] continued that [redacted] and [redacted] prior to going to Atlanta were advised by JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK, that he would be out of town during their proposed visit on April 29 and 30, 1967; however, both [redacted] and [redacted] felt that VENABLE perhaps put this information out to avoid seeing the Ohio Klansmen during their visit to the Atlanta area.

[redacted] advised that he learned that at about 6:30 a.m., Monday, May 1, 1967, [redacted] went to VENABLE's residence in Stone Mountain, Georgia, to confer with him regarding the status of the NKKKK in Ohio. He chose this early morning hour as he felt VENABLE was avoiding him.

[redacted] actually encountered VENABLE as planned. VENABLE then told [redacted] that all state officers of the NKKKK in Ohio were kicked out of their positions and banished.

VENABLE then attempted to get away from [redacted] and stated he had to go feed a horse and that he would return to discuss the matter with [redacted] however, VENABLE never returned to keep his appointment with [redacted]

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[redacted] continued that later that day, [redacted] ran into VENABLE on a back road around Stone Mountain. VENABLE was apparently trying to avoid seeing the Ohio Klansmen. [redacted] wanted VENABLE to return with him to VENABLE's residence to discuss the plight of the NKKKK in Ohio; however VENABLE refused.

However at the point of encounter, VENABLE briefly advised [redacted] that there are no state officers in Ohio and this

included the positions of Great Titans and Grand Dragon. He did not mention anyone specifically by name.

VENABLE did state that he wants NKKKK Klansmen to work on an individual Klavern basis rather than through a state organization apparently meaning that he would circumvent state control of the Klaverns thus putting the control of the individual Klaverns into the hands of the national headquarters.

[redacted] felt that VENABLE is dissatisfied with funds received from Ohio and may feel that with direct control of the Klaverns he would realize direct financial benefits.

[redacted] or [redacted] reported that [redacted] and [redacted] were in the Atlanta area April 29, 1967, through May 1, 1967. In this connection, he noted that [redacted] on April 30, 1967, advised a group of Georgia Klansmen that Klan operations in Ohio were having trouble with leadership and cooperation from its members. Also that Ohio was not getting working material from VENABLE.

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that JAMES R. VENABLE has revoked the commission of [redacted] as the [redacted] of the NKKKK for the State of Ohio.

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that he continues to be in contact with [redacted] and [redacted] who were both recognized as the Northern Ohio leaders of the NKKKK, and they have given no indication that they are doing anything on behalf of the NKKKK or any other Klan organization.

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that subsequent to the return of [redacted] from Atlanta where he, [redacted] was told that there are no longer any state officers in Ohio, that [redacted] as well as [redacted] have engaged in no organizational activity for the NKKKK. He did note that through his contacts with [redacted] there was no doubt that [redacted] continues to espouse the views of the Klan and has voiced his admonition that he may go to another national Klan.

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II. KLAVERN

A. Klavern #6,
Cleveland, Ohio

1. Current Status of Klavern
#6, Cleveland, Ohio

[] on [] informed that he learned that [] of Klavern #6, Cleveland, Ohio, on June 12, 1967, sent out 53 letters to Klavern #6 members to announce that Klan Kraft practice would be held each Monday evening commencing June 19, 1967. This announcement further noted that in the event a Klansman could not make the Klan Kraft practice session on Monday evenings [] should be contacted in order that a session could be arranged the following day (Tuesday), day or night, at the convenience of the Klansman. In the letter it was pointed out that it was imperative that all members attend. The letter was designed to reach all members on the rolls of Klavern #6 as only one letter was sent in some instances to husband and wife members.

[] on [] informed that not one Klansman responded to the letter announcing Klan Kraft practice nor did any Klan member actually show up for the first Klan Kraft session scheduled the evening of June 19, 1967.

[] did note that several letters were returned to [] bearing such notations as, "Moved - left no address," "Return to sender", and "No such address."

[] on [] informed that he learned that [] initiated the Klan Kraft practice sessions as a vehicle to arouse a renewed interest in the Klavern and as a method to determine those individuals who actually have a strong interest in the Klan movement.

[] on [] further noted that no one showed up at the scheduled June 19, 1967, session or any of the subsequent scheduled sessions and consequently [] was terribly disappointed in the results.

2. Officers, Headquarters, Finances,
and Publications

NAME OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that Klavern #6 has only two officers, [redacted] who is the [redacted] and [redacted] who is the [redacted]

[redacted] further noted that although [redacted] still [redacted] of Klavern #6, about \$100, in his personal possession he has lost interest in the Klan movement in favor of other extremist right wing activity and therefore has not been active in Klan matters.

[redacted] further related that Klavern #6 maintains no headquarters and has no publication.

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[redacted] on [redacted] informed that there had been no Klavern #6 meeting since January 15, 1967, and no Klan activity since April 12, 1967, when four Klansmen met to practice Klan Kraft.

[redacted] a member of Klavern #6, on [redacted] informed that although he is not active in Klan matters, he does maintain contact with members of Klavern #6 through which he has learned that Klavern #6 has had no recent activity. He noted that there is a lot of disagreement and suspicion among the members of the Klan and he feels that this is the reason that the Klan is not active.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Attempts to Recruit UKA Members
Into IEKKKK Under Leadership of
JAMES R. VENABLE

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that a special meeting of selected members of the Akron Branch of the UKA was held April 23, 1961, at the home of [redacted] in Akron, Ohio. [redacted] was the [redacted] of the Akron Klavern of the UKA until he was recently suspended from this

position. When [redacted] was suspended this created a split in the UKA whereby a faction went with [redacted] leaving the parent group.

[redacted] noted that [redacted] representing the NKKKK, was a guest at this special meeting and arrived late for the meeting.

[redacted] related that prior to [redacted] arrival, [redacted] informed everyone present that [redacted] had been invited and that he was "Klan from head to toe", and very trustworthy. [redacted] on his arrival identified himself as an [redacted] of the NKKKK and gave a speech on unifying the Klan under one national leader, JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK.

[redacted] pointed out that VENABLE's group is the original Klan and was reactivated as the NKKKK. [redacted] intends to unify the Klan by getting all UKA members to join the NKKKK. Interest was showed in [redacted] speech and [redacted] informed that another meeting would be held at his home on April 30, 1967.

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As reported elsewhere, it should be noted that subsequent to the above meeting, all NKKKK state offices were dissolved by JAMES R. VENABLE which included [redacted]

[redacted] on [redacted] informed that the aforementioned meeting of the UKA was held [redacted] at the home of [redacted] There were [redacted] men and [redacted] woman at this meeting.

[redacted] spoke at length on the virtues of members of the Akron Klavern of the UKA becoming members of the Klan which is reported to be the original Klan in the country. According to [redacted] the original Klan, known as the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (IEKKKK) has now been reactivated. Further, that splinter Klan groups from all over the country are now going to unite and will become part of the new Klan organization (IEKKKK) under the leadership of JAMES R. VENABLE Imperial Wizard of the NKKKK. [redacted] did note that [redacted] of the UKA wants no part of the IEKKKK.

[redacted] noted that as a result of [redacted] efforts several members signed a "Reactivation Petition" requesting membership in the IEKKKK together with a \$2.00 fee. This petition was printed on the letterhead stationery of the "Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, P.O. Box 107, Tucker, Georgia" and "National Extension Department, P.O.

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Box 1652, St. Petersburg, Florida 33731."

[] on [] informed that at least one half of the UKA members who broke away with [] from the parent UKA Klavern in Akron, Ohio as a result of a leadership dispute between [] and []. UKA, Akron, Ohio Klavern (parent group) have left [] and have returned to the parent group of the UKA in Akron.

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[] noted that the [] faction had indicated they would join the IEKKKK however had apparently changed their minds and have come back to the UKA. [] noted that when this group originally split from the parent group they were under the impression that they were being recruited into the NKKKK through [] efforts, but as it turned out it was all together another organization, presumably under the leadership of VENABLE. [] noted that [] has had no Klan activity and therefore assumes nothing further was done in regard to an IEKKKK.

[] on [] informed that both [] and [] have periodically pushed the idea of the IEKKKK as the original Klan organization under the leadership of JAMES R. VENABLE and [] of St. Petersburg, Florida. However, since May 1, 1967, when VENABLE advised that he was dissolving all NKKKK Ohio state officers, [] and [] have dropped the idea of establishing the IEKKKK in Ohio and he has heard of no further organizational efforts on behalf of the IEKKKK.

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UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.,
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UKA)

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, reflect that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in U.S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

The [redacted] source and a [redacted] source advised in July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. (The organization is [redacted] by [redacted] and is the dominant Klan group in the South, with units in several southern states.)

[redacted] source advised that at a meeting in Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, the U.S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

[redacted] source advised on [redacted] that the UKA is currently an active organization with Klaverns in several states. This source said that [redacted] is the [redacted] of this organization and was elected to this position on September 5, 1964, at a National Klonvocation in Birmingham, Alabama. Source stated that during April, 1966, the national office was moved from Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, to the carport of [redacted] residence, [redacted] which space he had converted into a room.

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FBI ATLANTA

4:17 AM EST 8-19-67 URGENT BCE
TO DIRECTOR AND NEW ORLEANS (157-9880)
FROM ATLANTA (157-60)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN.

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RE NEW ORLEANS TEL TO BUREAU DATED AUG. SEVENTEEN, LAST.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE OF THE ATLANTA OFFICE ADVISED THIS DATE
WILLIAM VIRGIL FOWLER DEPARTED HOME OF JAMES VENABLE,
IMPERIAL WIZARD, NKKKK, LATE P.M. AUG. EIGHTEEN, LAST, OR EARLY
A.M. INSTANT, EN ROUTE BATON ROUGE, LA. SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED
[redacted] TO HOLD RALLY ON CAPITOL STEPS BATON ROUGE, ON AUG. NINETEEN,
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Mr. Sullivan
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St. Louis, Missouri 63177

August 17, 1967

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
KLAVERN #14,
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

Hate Organization Characterization
Bureau file 157-168
St. Louis file 157-1506

A source advised that on October 25, 1965, at a meeting of the National States Rights Party of Missouri, a speaker identified himself as a member of, and organizer for, the Klan and requested all persons interested in joining the Klan to see him after the meeting; that on November 30, 1965, the first organizational meeting of Klavern #14 was held at 2806 North Grand Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri; that on January 14, 1966, [] announced at a meeting, [] held at []

[] that he had been commissioned [] of the State of Missouri, and was granted a charter to institute a new klavern in St. Louis, Missouri by James R. Venable, Imperial Wizard of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. On August 9, 1967, source advised that the klavern was called Klavern #14, and currently holds its initiations and meetings at rented halls in St. Louis, Missouri.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-188)

RALLY OF THE NATIONAL KNIGHTS
OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, AT BATON
ROUGE, LOUISIANA ON 8/20/67
RM (ORGANIZATION)

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DATE 8/22/88 BY [signature]

Re New Orleans teletypes to Bureau dated 8/17/67 at 8:50 p.m., and 8/20/67 at 6:52 p.m., captioned "PROPOSED MARCH FROM BOGALUSA, LA., TO STATE CAPITOL, BATON ROUGE, LA., 8/20-20/67 BY BOGALUSA VOTERS LEAGUE. RM (CR);" Atlanta teletype to New Orleans dated 8/19/67; and Jackson teletypes to New Orleans dated 8/19/67 and 8/20/67, captioned "KLAN RALLY AND MARCH, BATON ROUGE, LA., 8/20/67. RM."

Enclosed for the Bureau are original and ten copies; for Atlanta, Jackson and Los Angeles, two copies of a LHM captioned as above.

Copies of the enclosed are being sent to the USA, Secret Service, MIG and NISO at New Orleans as well as to OSI, Barksdale AFB, La.

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- 2 - Los Angeles (157-863) (Encs. 2) (RM)
- 4 - New Orleans (2 - 157-188)
- SMC/bnk (1 - 157-9884) [redacted]
- (15) (1 - 66-2404-Sub-5) [redacted]

AGENCY: ACSI, OSI, SEC SER

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Approved:

Special Agent in Charge

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The source mentioned in the enclosed LHM
is [redacted]

Local and state law enforcement agencies were
made cognizant of information contained in this LHM as
it was received.

For the information of the Bureau, [redacted]
[redacted] mentioned in the enclosed maybe identical to
[redacted] Bureau file 157-2171, Los Angeles
file 157-863 and the New Orleans file 157-9884. Information
was received from Los Angeles indicating [redacted] departed
Los Angeles on 8/8/67 to make permanent residence in or
around Atlanta, Ga. [redacted] also is believed to be
identical with individual who spoke in Allen Parish, La.,
the results of which were submitted by New Orleans airtel
and LHM captioned, [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

August 22, 1967

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No.

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph has been furnished enclosed is not available
 may be available through _____.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service

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(Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal form becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)



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New Orleans, Louisiana
August 22, 1967

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RALLY OF THE NATIONAL KNIGHTS
OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, AT BATON
ROUGE, LOUISIANA ON AUGUST 20, 1967

On August 17, 1967, Chief of Police David Keyser of the Baton Rouge, Louisiana Police Department, advised he had received a letter dated August 16, 1967 signed by a [redacted]. This letter stated that [redacted] was making a formal protest for an assembly permit at City Park and a march permit through the streets of the city of Baton Rouge to a rally point on the State Capitol steps. In the letter the [redacted]

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[redacted] stated "the purpose of the march is to protest the violence of this so-called liberation march." The letter stated that the group would start assembling at the park from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon and then the march would start and that the demonstrations should be over by 4:00 pm., Sunday, August 20, 1967. The organization who will be in charge of this march is the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and that leaders of the other Klan elements might be present. [redacted] advised that James R.

Venable is the Imperial Wizard of the National Knights and that he would not be present; however, he, [redacted] was an [redacted] under Venable and that he would be present. Chief Keyser advised that he was sending the [redacted] a letter addressed to [redacted]

He was advising the [redacted] that his group could leave from City Park at 2:30 p.m. on August 20, 1967, and the permit also contained the route that the group was to follow and arrive at the Louisiana State Capitol Building at 3:30 p.m.

On August 19, 1967, the Atlanta Office of the FBI provided information that [redacted] had

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departed the residence of James Venable, the Imperial Wizard of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) en route to Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The purpose of [redacted] trip was to hold a rally on the steps of the State Capitol Building at Baton Rouge.

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Mississippi (UKA) had received an "SOS" from Klansmen in Baton Rouge, Louisiana requesting that as many men that could, come to the Velrose Motel located on the Airline Highway in Baton Rouge at 12:00 Noon for a rally and march on August 20, 1967.

This source stated that members of the UKA in Mississippi are being contacted and instructed to travel to Baton Rouge. This source related that no violence is planned; however, Klansmen are being instructed to go and be prepared for any violence.

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This same confidential source advised on August 20, 1967, that he had been able to determine that at least approximately fifteen Klansmen from Mississippi were en route to Baton Rouge and it was his opinion that not over ten additional individuals would make the trip.

On August 20, 1967, at 12:00 Noon, there were approximately 40 Louisiana National Guardsmen and 15 Baton Rouge Police Department Officers on duty in the vicinity of City Park at Baton Rouge which was the scheduled gathering point for the Klan march; however, there was no activity.

Subsequently, on August 20, 1967, [redacted] of the Baton Rouge Police Department, advised that a group of approximately 40 persons drove from the

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area of City Park in 15 cars to the Louisiana State Capitol Building to hold a Klan rally.

The group arrived at the State Capitol at approximately 3:25 p.m., where they were joined by about 800 to 900 white persons gathered in the area. This group congregated on the steps of the State Capitol Building and were addressed by an individual believed to be [redacted] who is the individual who had obtained permission for the group to parade to the State Capitol.

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There were units of the Louisiana State Police and Louisiana National Guard on duty in the area of the State Capitol and the group was orderly and left without any incidents.

A characterization of the NKKK and the UKA is attached.

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UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.,
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
(LOUISIANA) (UKA)

Source furnished the following information regarding the UKA in Louisiana:

Source advised on August 26, 1966, that the headquarters for the UKA for the State of Louisiana is located at Post Office Box 251, Monroe, Louisiana.

The aims and purposes of the UKA in Louisiana are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and the segregation of the races, which aims and purposes are identical to the parent organization which is headquartered at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and directed by [redacted] b6
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This same source further advised that a portion of the monthly dues paid by the Louisiana members of the UKA is forwarded to the Alabama Rescue Service, which is a cover name for the UKA headquarters located at Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: NKKKK, INC.
RM - KLAN
(OO:Atlanta)

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Re Cincinnati teletype to Bureau, 8/19/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination. One copy of LHM furnished Atlanta for information.

One copy of LHM being furnished locally to 109th Military Intelligence Group, and U. S. Secret Service.

Confidential source is [redacted] (prob.)
who furnished information to SA [redacted]

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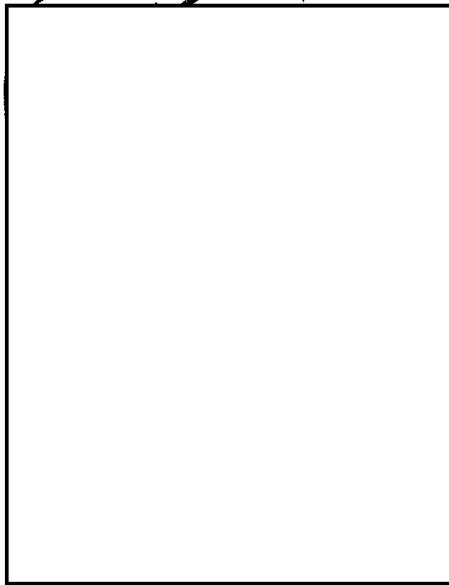
Cincinnati, Ohio
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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF
THE KU KLUX KLAN

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On August 19, 1967, Chief of Police Kenneth Graham, Lincoln Heights, Ohio, Police Department, advised that the following five individuals were arrested by his department at approximately 2:30 A.M., August 19, 1967, being charged with passing out literature and posting bills without a permit:



Chief Graham explained that the above individuals were arrested in connection with the above charge in the nearby vicinity of the Lincoln Heights High School. Chief Graham added that the posters and literature which were being distributed and passed in various locations around the high school advertised the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), some of which issued invitations to join the NKKKK and, of course, additional literature promoted hate ideas between the white and black races. Chief Graham explained that since the community of Lincoln Heights has a population which is 95 per cent Negro, this matter could quickly result into a very serious situation and this was the reason that the five arrested individuals were quickly turned over to Hamilton County authorities and removed from the Lincoln Heights Police Department.

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After the arrest of the above individuals they were turned over to Hamilton County authorities and later released on \$300.00 bond. It was Chief Graham's understanding that Hamilton County Court action is currently pending.

On August 19, 1967, a confidential source of the Cincinnati FBI Office, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised as follows:

The above five individuals proceeded to the vicinity of Lincoln Heights, Ohio, High School, and started posting Klan literature in the general area of the high school approximately sometime between 1:30 and 2:30 A.M., August 19, 1967.

This source learned that [redacted] and the others made no attempt to conceal their actions or act in any discreet fashion and all five of the individuals involved were arrested by the Lincoln Heights, Ohio Police Department and charged with posting bills without a permit. Each of them was later released to Hamilton County authorities and released on \$300.00 bond.

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On August 21, 1967, this same confidential source advised the above individuals were ordered to appear before Hamilton County Court to face the above charge during the P.M. of August 24, 1967. It is believed that the court action will be continued at that time to a later date.

A characterization of the NKKKK, Inc., is attached hereto.

A P P E N D I X

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
OF OHIO, INC. (NKKKK)

On October 8, 1964, [redacted] Secretary of State's Office, Columbus, State of Ohio, advised public records from this office indicate a charter was granted the NKKKK of Ohio on October 5, 1964, by the State of Ohio. The charter was filed under Certificate Number 10194, and the Corporation Number is 334111.

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The purpose of the corporation is to operate as a realm organization within the State of Ohio and in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the National Knights of the KU Klux Klan, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia. Second, to promote patriotism toward the civil government, honorable peace among men and nations, love among ourselves, liberty, justice and patriotic association for the mutual benefit of all mankind.

The incorporation papers were signed by [redacted]

[redacted] are the corporation trustees.

On October 23, 1964, [redacted] State House, Secretary of State's Office, State of Ohio, advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc.'s charter granted October 5, 1964, was revoked October 22, 1964, for the official reason that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Organization was on the U.S. Attorney General's subversive list. [redacted] said the actual purpose for revocation of the charter was not because the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is on the U.S. Attorney General's subversive list, but because it was felt the existence of a state granted charter would encourage the Klan to make the claim it was "state sanctioned" and therefore entirely legitimate.

In actuality the Ku Klux Klan and not the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has been designated by the U.S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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ON EVENING NINE TWO SIXTYSEVEN RALLY AND CROSS BURNING
SPONSORED BY CAPTIONED KLAN WAS HELD AT STONE MOUNTAIN, GA. AND
WAS ATTENDED BY FIVE HUNDRED MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN. SIXTY b6
MEMBERS OF THE CAPTIONED KLAN WERE IN ATTENDANCE IN THEIR b7C
KLAN ROBES AND RALLY WAS CONDUCTED BY JAMES R. VENAPLE WHO
STRESSED KLAN UNITY. NO INCIDENTS OR VIOLENCE.

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination concerning a rally of the captioned organization at Stone Mountain, Ga., on 9/2/67. The source referred to in LHM is [redacted]

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.,
RALLY AT STONE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA,
SEPTEMBER 2, 1967

On September 4, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKK) a characterization of which is attached hereto, held a rally on a farm owned by James R. Venable, Imperial Wizard of that organization, at the base of Stone Mountain on September 2, 1967.

The rally began at approximately 8:00 p.m., and ended shortly before Midnight. According to the source, at various times there were as many as approximately 1,000 people participating in or observing the rally. Many were curiosity seekers. The rally was confined primarily to speeches and there were approximately eleven speakers in all. It was announced that those attending the rally represented Klan organizations from approximately twenty-five states. Although all the speakers were not identified by name, they were identified as being from Pennsylvania, California, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, and South Carolina. James R. Venable, Imperial Wizard, was the Master of Ceremonies and introduced the various speakers, though very few were introduced by name. During the meeting, a cross thirty feet tall was burned and an initiation ceremony was held for new members.

Speakers criticized mostly the Federal Government and the "Great Society", as well as recent Negro riots. Most of the speakers endorsed former Governor of Alabama George Wallace for President of the United States.

One of the speakers was [redacted] of California, who was identified as editor of a Klan newspaper known as "The Clansman."

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According to the source, there were no incidents of violence; however, near the end of the rally a television photographer was forcibly ejected from the rally by four guards dressed in black uniforms. According to the source,

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NKKKK RALLY, STONE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA

these four guards were recently naturalized members of the Barnesville, Georgia, unit of NKKKK. They reside in the Atlanta, Georgia, area. The source did not know their names other than one is Fennie McCormick.

According to the source, some of the speakers urged that the Klan unite all Klan groups under one leadership, and some of the speakers recommended that the black robed group be instituted. A source stated that the black robed group is the action or militant arm of the Klan.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
INCORPORATED
STONE MOUNTAIN RALLY,
September 2, 3, 1967

On September 5, 1967, a Tampa confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the above national Klan group held a meeting and rally at Stone Mountain near Atlanta, Georgia, September 2 to 3, 1967, with an estimated 1500 persons present. JAMES VENABLE was the Master of Ceremonies. VENABLE spoke, [redacted] from Georgia was also a [redacted] as was a man named (FNU) [redacted] from the State of California.

[redacted] talked about the "black robe klan" which is to be the action group for each Klan group. The identity of the members of the "black robe klan" is to be known only to those in the select group.

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Appended is a characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated.

The United Florida Ku Klux Klan (UFKKK) was represented at Stone Mountain by [redacted]
[redacted] Samsula, Florida [redacted] Orlando, [redacted]
[redacted] Jacksonville, (FNU) [redacted] Goldenrod, Florida,
and (FNU) [redacted] Jacksonville, Florida.

Appended is a characterization of the UFKKK.

An innovation at the Stone Mountain rally was the initiation of approximately 75 new members into the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated.

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APPENDIX

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

(NKKKK)

A source advised that on May 22, 1960, the National Grand Council of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan met at Atlanta, Georgia, to discuss consolidation of the Klan's unity of effort and activities to establish a National Fund, and a National Secretary, and to design a new flag. The meeting was attended by representatives of the Federation of Ku Klux Klan, Alabama; Association of Arkansas Klans, Arkansas; Florida Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Association of Georgia Klans, Georgia; Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, North Carolina; Association of South Carolina Klans, South Carolina; Dixie Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Tennessee; and Hyksos Klan, Texas.

This source advised that at a consolidation meet^{ing} at Atlanta, Georgia, September 2 - 5, 1960, at which the N^{b2} h^{b6} Carolina and Texas Klans were not represented, it was reso^{b7c} b^{b7D} and passed that their name be changed to the National Ku Klux Klan.

A [redacted] source advised in [redacted] that several meetings of Klan groups were held during the period 1960 to 1963 in an effort to unite the Klan groups under a single leadership.

The organization was granted a charter in DeKalb County, Georgia, November 1, 1963, under the name National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order."

A [redacted] source advised in [redacted] that the organization had issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-Foreign born.

The [redacted] source advised in [redacted] that the organization had established a headquarters in Tucker, Georgia, and the day-to-day operations are under the direction of JAMES R. VENABLE, Chairman, and [redacted]

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APPENDIX

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UNITED FLORIDA KU KLUX KLAN (UFKKK)

A source advised on August 20, 1955, that a new organization known as Florida Ku Klux Klan (FKKK) had been formed at Macclenny, Florida, on August 14, 1955, by former members of the Association of Florida Ku Klux Klan (AFKKK).

The objectives of this group, according to a [redacted] source, are to oppose integration in the schools and to fight communism.

Regarding AFKKK, a [redacted] source advised that a former official of the Association of Georgia Klans (AGK) formed an organization on July 7, 1953, known as AFKKK. The "Morning Tribune", a Tampa, Florida, newspaper, in its August 11, 1955, issue, revealed AFKKK disbanded on that date.

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A [redacted] source advised on [redacted] that AFKKK operated under the same principles and by-laws as the AGK. The AGK has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A [redacted] source advised on [redacted] that the FKKK is operating and maintaining the same objectives as set forth above.

A [redacted] source advised on [redacted] that at a meeting held in Orlando, Florida, on June 25, 1961, the FKKK and the United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, in Florida, consolidated and the new organization is known as the UFKKK.

On [redacted] the [redacted] source advised that the UFKKK is still in existence in Florida and maintains the same objectives set forth above.

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| Reference | Memorandum dated and captioned as above. |

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Report of SA [redacted] dated 3/23/67, at [redacted]
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Follow and report all pertinent activities of this Klan organization.

Follow any efforts made by [redacted] to organize a new Klavern at Loveland, Ohio.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Information copies of this report are being furnished to Cleveland and Louisville in view of their interest in this matter.

INFORMANTS:

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

Cincinnati, Ohio
September 25, 1967

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service, Cincinnati

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Report of:
 Date: SA [redacted] Office: CINCINNATI
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Field Office File No.: CI 157-245 Bureau File No.: 157-168

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character: RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

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Synopsis: [redacted] Oregonia, Ohio, continues status as NKKKK recruiter and organizer, but in past 60 days made statements to effect he desires JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, NKKKK to replace him with another man. [redacted] claims he is losing too much money in connection with Klan activities. During May, 1967, [redacted] accompanied by four Klansmen, traveled to Louisville, Ky., during Kentucky Derby Week and appeared at the Churchill Downs Race Track as "publicity stunt". No violence or incidents involved. Current NKKKK hard core membership in southern Ohio consists of 15 - 20 Klansmen. United Klans of America reported raising membership of NKKKK and enticing most good men into UKA. On 8/19/67, [redacted] and four fellow Klansmen arrested vicinity Lincoln Heights High School by Lincoln Heights Police Department and charged with posting bills without permit. Court proceedings pending before Hamilton County, Ohio court. No additional Klavern organized in Southern Ohio. Confidential source in most recent contact advised efforts being made to organize new Klavern under NKKKK in vicinity of Loveland, Ohio, under name of Loveland Park Association.

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DETAILS:

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A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., and of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc. are contained in the appendix of this report.

A. GENERAL ACTIVITIES AND MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

On [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] who is identified as [redacted] of SUBJECT ORGANIZATION for NKKKK in Ohio. [redacted] and several other unidentified persons traveled to Lodi, Ohio, March 18, 1967. At Lodi they met with [redacted] of [redacted] and [redacted] gave her two checks. One in the amount of \$125.00 and the other in the amount of \$100. These checks were given to [redacted] for the purpose of paying a local fine of [redacted] in connection with a previously held Klan rally at Lodi, Ohio, at which time [redacted] was charged by local authorities with "blocking water flow with logs". It is understood that the total cost in connection with this charge was \$231.55.

On [redacted] advised as follows:

Small group of Klansmen met on [redacted] farm, April 30, 1967, at Oregonia, Ohio. [redacted] and those in attendance, about five or six Klansmen from Ohio, would travel to Louisville afternoon of May 2, 1967, and check into a hotel. After checking into hotel each man would robe himself in a Klan robe and go to lunch jointly as a "publicity stunt."

No violence or incidents of any type were planned. This same group also discussed the possibility of returning to Louisville during Kentucky Derby Week and parading around the Churchill Downs Race Track in Klan robes to seek additional publicity.

On [redacted] advised as follows:

At the same meeting described above, held April 30, 1967, [redacted] said that he has decided to set up a Klavern to cover the Warren-Butler County areas in Ohio. No specific action, however, was taken at this time in connection with this meeting. [redacted] said he would call another meeting about the end of May, 1967, and at that time hopes to appoint several state organizers to assist him with his operations.

The previously described automobile trip to Louisville, Kentucky, as a publicity stunt was carried out and all of the individuals who participated appeared in Louisville and at the vicinity of the Churchill Downs Race Track, where the Kentucky Derby is run each year. Each of the Klansmen appeared in Klan robes with the exception of [redacted] who dressed in a business suit. [redacted] indicated the desired publicity was obtained with no incidents or violence. All returned to Ohio

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May 3, 1967.

On [redacted] advised as follows:

A meeting is to be held May 27, 1967, at [redacted] farm, mainly to decide organizational structure for the Klan in Ohio and to collect dues. The current dues for a new member will be \$10 broken down as follows:

\$4.00 to be forwarded to the National Organization;

\$3.00 to the State office;

\$3.00 goes to the Klansman who signs up the new member.

On [redacted] advised as follows:

Less than ten individuals made an appearance on May 27, 1967, at [redacted] Farm. It is understood that a number of individuals received notices previously to attend the meeting this date and that the main topic and purpose was to select Ohio State organizers. Known identities of some of those who appeared are:

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[redacted] from Cleveland, Ohio;

[redacted] from Lodi, Ohio;

[redacted] from Dayton, Ohio and

[redacted] from Lebanon, Ohio.

[redacted] is supposed to still hold title as National Organizer of the NKKKK.

After the above men arrived at [redacted] he acted like he knew nothing about this scheduled meeting saying that whoever had sent out notices that there would be a meeting is a "phony". [redacted] said he never received a notice about this meeting. He was completely uncooperative and wanted nothing to do with it. Of course this upset everyone who took the time to attend and much dissatisfaction and disagreement was noticed. This situation was culminated with [redacted] saying that he was going to go to Indian Lake for the weekend and up to this point a complete state of confusion existed since nothing positive has been established as far as future activities are concerned.

On [redacted] advised as follows:

It has been reported that [redacted] National Organizer for NKKKK has been dismissed from this position and that Klansmen from Ohio no longer have anything to do with him. [redacted] has been accused of lying to fellow Klansmen, not obeying orders and generally displaying a lack of cooperation and leadership ability in connection with his title of National Organizer.

On [redacted] advised as follows:

A current evaluation of NKKKK membership in southern Ohio at this time would indicate that there are approximately 15-20 hard core dedicated members. In the beginning when this Klan group first became organized 100's of individuals signed up on applications to join and paid the initiation fee. However, as months went by, and especially since January, 1966, the fortunes of the NKKKK went downhill for one reason or another. Mainly, lack of organizational cooperation among leaders and inadequate clean-cut Klan policy were the real reasons for this downfall.

[redacted] Of course, [redacted] started recruiting in Ohio and stole most of the NKKKK's good men. For this reason the United Klans of America is considered the only strong effective Klan in Ohio currently.

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NKKKK, Ohio Realm, is supposedly to establish an effective board which will attempt to come up with some clear cut program for Ohio only and will act independently from any outside organization. If this is successful, they will operate as a Klan group only within the State of Ohio.

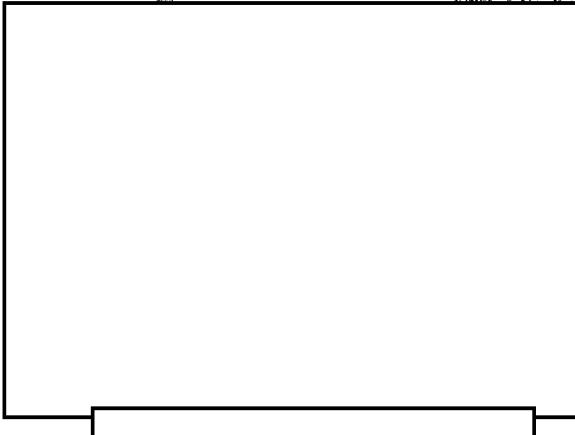
On [redacted] advised as follows:

Five Klansmen were arrested August 19, 1967, by the Lincoln Heights, Ohio Police Department in the vicinity of the Lincoln Heights, Ohio High School while passing out Klan literature and Klan posters.

They were charged by Lincoln Heights authorities for posting bills without a permit and were later released to Hamilton County authorities on \$300 bond. Their court appearances were ordered for August 24, 1967, before Hamilton County Court. The individuals arrested are identified as:

[redacted]

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION



On [redacted] advised as follows:

Eight Klansmen met on [redacted] farm, August 27, 1967. Among them was [redacted] who appears to act very mysteriously and is trying to get close to [redacted] desires to organize a Klan group and hold meetings in the Loveland, Ohio Civic Center. This center allegedly is available to almost any group or organization who desires to hold a meeting.

[redacted] is leading or pushing the Klan and said that he has requested JAMES VENABLE, NKKKK National Leader, to give his position to someone else because he is losing too much money. Possibly [redacted] hopes to assume this position and title. No other units have been established or set up by [redacted] in surrounding counties such as Butler, Warren and Montgomery. His farm continues to be the central meeting place for NKKKK meetings even though they are held on an irregular basis.

No definite plans or important activities took place during the above meeting.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT

On [redacted]

advised that efforts

are being made to organize a new Klavern in the vicinity of Loveland, Ohio, under name of Loveland Park Association.

[redacted] who resides in the Loveland area and who has a past history of belonging to right-wing organizations is reported to be the man between organizing this new Klan group.

[redacted] has already printed several pieces of literature setting forth his address to establish a new Klavern under the NKKKK.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Cincinnati, Ohio
September 25, 1967

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.,
RM (KLAN)

On [redacted] advised that at a meeting of the Barnesville, Ga., unit of the National Knights of the KKK (NKKKK), held 9/24/67, it was announced that [redacted] who publishes "The Clansman" newspaper, stated that 5 Klansmen are scheduled to go on trial in a small town near Cleveland, Ohio, about 10/10/67. According to the announcement [redacted] wants all Klansmen available to go to the town near Cleveland about the time of the scheduled trial and demand the release of the 5 Klansmen. [redacted] wants the Klansmen to be heavily armed and to be prepared not to return to their homes in the event they get arrested, and possibly forcibly obtain the release of the 5 Klansmen.

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Atlanta is unaware of any trial of Klansmen which may be scheduled for about 10/10/67, at a small town near Cleveland.

The Cleveland Office is requested to immediately advise if such a trial is scheduled. Atlanta will follow additional developments.

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Special Agent in Charge

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1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan

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To: SAC, Atlanta (157-60)
REC-10
From: Director, FBI (157-168)- 822

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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ReATairtel 9/25/67.

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DATE 8-29-88 BY SP84J/fo

You are instructed to submit a letterhead
memorandum containing contents of reairtel by return mail.

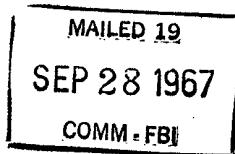
1 - Cleveland (100-10261)

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NOTE:

Atlanta submitted an airtel relative to plans of
the National Knights to attempt to release five klansmen who
are scheduled to go on trial in the Cleveland area on or
about 10/10/67. In order to disseminate this information a
letterhead memorandum must be submitted to the Bureau.

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9/29/67

AIRTEL

1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
(Field Supervisor)

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To: SAC, Milwaukee (105-182)

REC-64 From: Director, FBI (157-168) — 823

EX-1 NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC. ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN) HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8/29/08 BY SP/AT/

ReMIAirtel 9/21/67 captioned "Investigation of Klan
Organizations and Related Individuals, Racial Matters (Klan)."

You are instructed to submit an airtel and letterhead
memorandum by return mail containing contents of reairtel under
caption of this communication.

Follow this matter closely, and submit a letterhead
memorandum after the scheduled rally on 10/8/67 with results
of same.

For your information, James R. Venable is the
Imperial Wizard of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

In handling Klan matters, your attention is
directed to Section 122A of the Manual of Instructions.

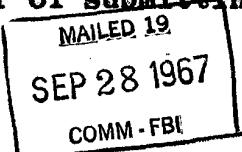
1 - Atlanta (157-60)

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NOTE:

Milwaukee submitted an airtel regarding a proposed
recruiting rally for the Klan under an incorrect caption. The
purpose of this airtel is to instruct them in the correct
manner of submitting Klan information to the Bureau.

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Date: 9/21/67

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8-29-82 BY SP/SP/JS

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (105-182) (P)

SUBJECT: INVESTIGATION OF KLAN ORGANIZATIONS
AND RELATED INDIVIDUALS
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)
MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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Re Bureau airtel to SAC, Atlanta, 8/22/67.

This is to advise that on 9/21/67, [redacted] Subversive Squad, Milwaukee Police Department, advised that [redacted] former head of the KKK in Wisconsin, is planning to hold [redacted] a recruiting rally for the [redacted] 3 PM on 10/8/67. In this regard, [redacted] advised that [redacted] has rented a picnic area in Humboldt Park in Milwaukee as the location for the rally.

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In addition, [redacted] advised that JAMES VENABLE, reportedly the head national knight of the KKK from Stone Mountain, Georgia, is to be a guest at this rally.

The Bureau and Atlanta will be kept advised of developments in this matter.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

- (3) - Bureau (AM-RM)
- 2 - Atlanta (AM-RM)
- 3 - Milwaukee (105-182)
- (1 - 157-223) [redacted]

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C. C. Bishop

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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 9/25/67

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60)(P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.,
RM (KLAN)ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-29-88 BY [Signature]

Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM captioned, [redacted] Dothan, Alabama, September 17, 1967. Two copies of the LHM are enclosed for Mobile.

The confidential source mentioned in the LHM is
[redacted]

The LHM is classified "CONFIDENTIAL" since [redacted] contacted only the informant and one other Klansman and disclosure of the information could result in identification of the informant.

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Copies of the LHM are being disseminated to NIS, Charleston, S.C.; 111th Military Intelligence Group, Region V, Fort McPherson, Georgia; and U.S. Secret Service, Atlanta, Ga.

Bureau (3 - 157-168) (NKKKK) (RM) [redacted] 0)

(1 - 157-4329) [redacted]

Mobile (157-1677) (RM) (Enc, 2) [redacted]

4 - Atlanta (2 - 157-60) (NKKKK) [redacted]

(1 - 157-992) [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia
September 25, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8/27/08 BY SP/ut/jat

COLBERT RAYMOND MC GRIFF,
Dothan, Alabama,
September 17, 1967

On September 21, 1967, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on September 17, 1967, [redacted] a former member of the Barnesville, Georgia, Unit of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK), but who now resides at Dothan, Alabama, visited friends at Barnesville, Georgia. The friends he visited are currently members of NKKKK. A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., is attached hereto.

[redacted] stated he is currently working with a group at Dothan, Alabama, which group is trying to start a [redacted] in order to avoid integration. [redacted] did not identify the group which is trying to start the private school, but he did say he is not affiliated with any Klan organization.

[redacted] stated he is a member of the Alabama State Patrol Auxiliary. He said it was organized for the purpose of riot control and the members of that auxiliary are required to attend two meetings each month.

[redacted] had some aerial maps in his possession. These maps showed the States of Georgia, Alabama, and Florida, and particularly showed the area around the Chattahoochee River in the vicinity of Fort Benning, Georgia. The front of the maps indicated they were printed for the use of the U.S. Corps of Engineers in 1967.

[redacted] did not say how he came into possession of those maps; however, he stated that they were good to have in the event a revolution occurs in the United States the maps would indicate good swampy areas which would be a good place to go.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
(NKKK)

A source advised that on May 22, 1960, the National Grand Council of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan met at Atlanta, Georgia, to discuss consolidation of the Klan's unity of effort and activities to establish a National Fund, and a National Secretary, and to design a new flag. The meeting was attended by representatives of the Federation of Ku Klux Klan, Alabama; Association of Arkansas Klans, Arkansas; Florida Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Association of Georgia Klans, Georgia; Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, North Carolina; Association of South Carolina Klans, South Carolina; Dixie Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Tennessee; and Hyksos Klan, Texas.

This source advised that at a consolidation meeting at Atlanta, Georgia, September 2-5, 1960, at which the North Carolina and Texas Klans were not represented, it was resolved and passed that their name be changed to National Ku Klux Klan.

A [redacted] source advised in March, 1964, that several meetings of Klan groups were held during the period 1960 to 1963 in an effort to unite the Klan groups under a single leadership.

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The organization was granted a charter in DeKalb County, Georgia, November 1, 1963, under the name National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order."

A [redacted] source advised in December, 1963, that the organization had issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-Foreign born.

The [redacted] source advised in August, 1964, that the organization has a headquarters in Tucker, Georgia, and the day-to-day operations are under the direction of JAMES R. VENABLE, Chairman.

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AIRTEL

1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
(Field Supervision)
1 - [redacted]

To: SAGs, Atlanta (157-60)
Mobile (157-1677)
REC-10
From: Director, FBI (157-168) - 824

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-22-98 BY SP/az/jch

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ReATairtel 9/25/67 captioned as above and letterhead
memorandum 9/25/67 captioned [redacted] Dothan,
Alabama, September 17, 1967.

This letterhead memorandum has been declassified
at the Bureau. Atlanta and Mobile are instructed to declassify
your copies and to advise recipients to whom already dissemi-
nated locally to do likewise.

For your information and for your guidance, this
memorandum has been declassified as the revealing of identity
of the source would not be detrimental to the national defense
interests; therefore, it is not necessary to classify material
of this nature.

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NOTE:

Atlanta submitted a letterhead memorandum regarding
the attempt of [redacted] a klansman, to start a
private school in order to avoid integration. The memorandum
also contained information regarding maps in the possession of
[redacted] which had been prepared for the U. S. Corps of
Engineers in 1967. Atlanta classified this memorandum
"Confidential" in order to protect the informant. Classification
of this information is not necessary, and Atlanta is being
informed of this and instructed to declassify same.

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Date: 10/2/67

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6329) ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8-29-88 BY SP8/2/00

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RM (KLAN)

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Re Atlanta airtel to the Bureau dated 9/25/67,
and Bureau airtel to Atlanta dated 9/29/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of
LHM captioned "MEETING OF BARNESVILLE, GEORGIA, UNIT,
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, SEPTEMBER 24, 1967."
Enclosed for Cleveland are 2 copies of LHM.

As reflected in Atlanta airtel dated 9/25/67, the
Atlanta Office is unaware of any trial of Klansmen which
may be scheduled for about 10/10/67, in a small town near
Cleveland.

As previously set forth, the Cleveland Office is
requested to immediately advise if any such trial is scheduled.

The source referred to in the enclosed LHM
is [REDACTED] EX 10

(3) - Bureau (RM)
2 - Cleveland (100-10261) (RM)
4 - Atlanta
(2 - 157-60) (NKKKK) REC 11

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Klan Unit

AGENCY: ACSI, O [REDACTED], SEC SER
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DATE FORW: OCT 5 1967
HOW FORW: RS
BY: *JW-RD*

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
October 2, 1967

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-29-88 BY SP825

MEETING OF BARNESVILLE, GEORGIA UNIT,
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
SEPTEMBER 24, 1967
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

On September 25, 1967, a source who has furnished
worthwhile and reliable information in the past, advised
that at a meeting of the Barnesville, Georgia unit of the
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) held September 24, 1967, it was announced that

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"The Clansman" newspaper, stated that five
Kluxmen are scheduled to go on trial in a small town near
Cleveland, Ohio, about October 10, 1967. According to the
announcement, wants all Kluxmen available to go to the
town near Cleveland about the time of the scheduled trial
and demand the release of the five Kluxmen. wants
the Kluxmen to be heavily armed and to be prepared not to
return to their homes in the event they get arrested and
possibly forcibly obtain the release of the five Kluxmen.

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conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the
FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents
are not to be distributed outside your agency.

ENCLOSURE

157-168-825

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Date: 10/4/67

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF
THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RM (KLAN)

OO: ATLANTA

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8/29/88 BY SP4/

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Re Atlanta airtel dated 9/25/67 which reflects 5 Klansmen are to go on trial about 10/10/67 near Cleveland and indicates Klan might forcibly obtain release of the 5 Klansmen. Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 9/25/67 at CI. Re CV telephone call to CI, 10/4/67.

Enclosed for the CI Office is one xerox copy of referenced Atlanta airtel dated 9/25/67.

Review of Cleveland Klan files; recollection of Klan ~~events~~ evidence which may be related to matter at hand; contact with local authorities in Cleveland, Akron, Medina and Portage County Klan strength areas, as well as a canvass of racial informants and sources on 10/3/67 failed to reveal any information relative to a trial of 5 Klansmen.

However, review of referenced Cincinnati report reflects 5 Klansmen were arrested 8/19/67 at Lincoln Heights, Ohio (Cincinnati Division) while passing out Klan literature and Klan posters; released on bond and their court appearances ordered for 8/24/67 before the Hamilton County Courthouse.

3 - Bureau (RM) REC-24 157-168-82
 2 - Atlanta (157-60) (RM)
 2 - Cincinnati (157-245) (Enc. 1) (RM)
 2 - Cleveland
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Special Agent in Charge

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CV 100-10261

In view of the above, and the urgency of this matter, the Cincinnati Office was telephonically contacted this date to insure that local authorities are aware of this situation. In addition, a xerox copy of the referenced Atlanta airtel is being furnished herewith to the Cincinnati Office as a basis for action for dissemination to the USA and local military intelligence agencies covering the Cincinnati Division.

No further investigation is contemplated by the Cleveland Office although the Cleveland Office will remain alert to this matter and immediately report any developments.

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Date: 10/3/67

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (105-182) P

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTER - KLAN

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8-29-88 BY SP/ut/jat

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Re Bureau airtel, 9/29/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Copies of this LHM are being designated locally as follows: Military Intelligence, Milwaukee; Military Intelligence, Evanston, Illinois; NIS, Milwaukee and Chicago; OSI, Milwaukee; USA, Milwaukee; and Secret Service. Atlanta is being furnished one copy also.

It should be noted that [redacted] the [redacted] of the Klan, Realm of Wisconsin, which organization no longer is in existence, frequently made statements in the past with regard to holding rallies in the Wisconsin area; however, not any of these rallies have ever taken place and it is believed that [redacted] makes these statements merely for the purpose of securing publicity for himself.

This matter will be followed by the Milwaukee Office and the Bureau and Atlanta advised if such rally does take place.

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O'M to Milwaukee, 10-12-67 REC-36
3 - Bureau (Enc. 11) RM
1 - Atlanta (Enc. 1) RM
1 - Milwaukee

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Special Agent in Charge

AGENCY: ACSI, [redacted], SEC SEC
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DATE FORW: OCT 13 1967
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

File No.

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20220

October 3, 1967

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U.S., because of his official status.
2. Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U.S.
4. U.S. citizens or residents who defect from the U.S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) Expressions of strong or violent anti-U.S. sentiment;
 - (c) Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph has been furnished enclosed is not available
 may be available through _____

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
 Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) 1 RM
 U. S. Secret Service, Milwaukee

Enclosure(s) 1

(Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal form becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
October 3, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 2-29-88 BY SP842/JC

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

On September 21, 1967, [redacted]
Special Assignment Squad, Milwaukee Police Department, advised
that [redacted] the [redacted]n of the Ku Klux
Klan, Realm of Wisconsin, planned to hold a recruiting rally
for the Klan at 3 PM on October 8, 1967. According to

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[redacted] has secured a permit for a picnic area in
Humboldt Park in Milwaukee Wisconsin, where the rally will
be held. According to [redacted] James Venable, the Imperial
Wizard of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., from
Stone Mountain, Georgia, would be a guest at this rally.

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A characterization of the Ku Klux Klan
is attached in the appendix hereto.

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of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to
your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed
outside your agency.

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ENCLOSURE

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Date: 10/3/67

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6329)
FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RM (KLAN)Rereport SA [redacted] 9/25/67, at Cincinnati,
and Atlanta airtel dated 10/2/67.Enclosed for Cincinnati are 2 copies of LHM captioned
"MEETING OF BARNEVILLE, GEORGIA, UNIT, NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF
THE KU KLUX KLAN, SEPTEMBER 24, 1967, RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)."

The source referred to in the enclosed LHM is [redacted]

The Cincinnati Office, in referenced report, advised
that [redacted] and 4 fellow Klansmen were arrested in the
vicinity of Lincoln Heights High School by Lincoln Heights PD
and charged with posting bills without permit. Referenced
report also indicated that court proceedings were pending
against [redacted] and other Klansmen before Hamilton County, Ohio,
court.This information may be identical with the information
received as set forth in the enclosed LHM concerning the
trial of five Klansmen reportedly at Cleveland, Ohio.

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- ③ - Bureau (157-6329) (RM)
- 2 - Cleveland (RM)
- 2 - Cincinnati (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 3 - Atlanta (2 - 157-60)
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Approved: ZVH Sent _____ M Per _____
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AT 157-60

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AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Attempt to determine through sources any information indicating that [redacted] presently of Atlanta, Ga., intends to visit Lincoln Heights, Ohio.

Also advise and verify if any trial of [redacted] and four other Klansmen is scheduled for Lincoln Heights.

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Atlanta will continue to determine activities of and whereabouts of [redacted] and will expeditiously advise the Bureau of any indication that [redacted] may be traveling to Ohio.

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Date: 10/5/67

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6329); SAC CLEVELAND and
SAC, ATLANTA (157-60)
FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN
RM - KLAN
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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8/29/88 BY SP/AM/PL

Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau, 9/18/67, and
AT airtel to Bureau, 10/3/67.

Referenced Atlanta airtel sets forth information that [redacted] and four fellow Klansmen were arrested vicinity Lincoln Heights High School by Lincoln Heights, Ohio PD and charged with posting bills without a permit. Local court proceedings currently pending against these five Klansmen at Lincoln Heights, Ohio, and Hamilton County Court.

Atlanta in referenced communication advised a source who furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information that one [redacted] desires to have fellow Klansmen from Barnesville, Georgia Unit of NKKKK accompany him to Cincinnati, Ohio area while

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2-Atlanta (RM)
2-Cleveland (RM)
3-Cincinnati (2-157-245)

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C. C. K. (d)

EX-108

OCT 6 1967

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Approved: C. C. K. (d) Sent _____ M Per _____
MAR 11 1968 by [redacted] Special Agent in Charge

CI 157-245

heavily armed and possibly force release of the five Ohio Klansmen who have above court proceedings pending.

For information of Bureau, Atlanta, and Cleveland [redacted] (Prob) was contacted today and advised that the previously referred to five Klansmen are to appear tonight (10/5/67) before Hamilton County Court at Finneytown, a suburb of Cincinnati, to face charge of posting bills without a permit. In connection with this court appearance, [redacted] is expected to utilize some legal means, and continue this matter to a later date. [redacted] (Prob) said that he has no information that there will be any type of trouble or that any Klansmen from Georgia or any other state will be present for these proceedings.

Informant further explained that these same five Klansmen are also scheduled to appear before the Mayor of Lincoln Heights, Ohio, on 10/6/67, for similar charges. (It is noted that the population of Lincoln Heights consists of 99 % Negroes.)

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Informant said that [redacted] has requested that the five Klansmen do not appear before the mayor at Lincoln Heights 10/6/67, since he has filed a motion requesting a bill of particulars to further delay these court proceedings. Again informant has no current knowledge that any Klansmen from another state plan on being present to forcibly obtain their release.

Today [redacted] Hamilton County SO, and [redacted] Lincoln Heights, Ohio PD, completely appraised and alerted concerning this situation, and both explained they will take all precautionary measures to insure that no violence or trouble takes place.

[redacted] (Prob) has been instructed to immediately report to contacting agent of the Cincinnati FBI Office if any violence or trouble is contemplated.

Cincinnati will keep the interested offices advised of all pertinent developments.

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Date:

10/6/67

Transmit the following in _____
 (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
 (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.,
RM (KLAN)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-29-88 BY SP849/bsk

Enclosed herewith are 8 copies of an LHM captioned "BARNESVILLE, GEORGIA, UNIT, NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.", dated 10/6/67, and suitable for dissemination.

The source referred to is [redacted]

The source advised he feels sure that if the action group referred to in the LHM is actually formed, he will know the identities of the members of that action group, and stated he will advise of any additional information developed in this matter.

Atlanta will maintain close contact with informant for development of a possible action group.

Copies of LHM furnished:

111th MIG, Region V, Ft. McPherson, Ga.
 OSI District Six, Robins AFB, Ga.
 NIS, Charleston, S.C.
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Atlanta, Georgia

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A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., is attached hereto.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-6329) *169*

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) - P -

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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Re CI airtel to Bureau, 10/5/67.

Today, [redacted] (Prob), advised that both court proceedings pending against the five Klansmen have been continued until month of November, 1967, at Lincoln Heights, Ohio, and Hamilton County Court (Finneytown), Cincinnati, Ohio.

As was reported in referenced communication, the previously referred to five Klansmen were scheduled to appear before the Mayor of Lincoln Heights on 10/6/67, and before the Hamilton County Court (Finneytown), Cincinnati, Ohio, 10/5/67.

Cincinnati will closely follow court proceedings in this matter with informant.

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Confidential source is [redacted] PROB), who furnished information to SA [redacted]

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Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

Cincinnati, Ohio

October 16, 1967

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph has been furnished enclosed is not available
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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
 Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
 U. S. Secret Service, Cincinnati

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October 16, 1967

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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN

In recent contacts with a confidential source of the Cincinnati FBI Office, who has furnished reliable information in the past, the following pertinent information has been established:

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

The only local Klavern which had been operating on an irregular basis with meetings held intermittently at the farm of [redacted] Oregonia, Ohio, has now transferred the location site to Loveland, Ohio. This Klavern is known as Klavern number 5 and is operated under name of Loveland Park Association, Post Office Box 252, Cincinnati, Ohio.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

All of the previous Klansmen who attended activities under leadership of [redacted] at Oregonia, Ohio, continuing to attend meetings at the Loveland Park Association twice a month. [redacted] who is known off to have been active with right wing organizations in the past appears to be the leader of Klavern number 5, with [redacted] backing him up. Normally meetings are held every other Sunday starting at 2:00 PM. The first meeting held was strictly an organizational type meeting which placed [redacted] with the title of vice president in this Klan group. Approximately 15 individuals were in attendance, including [redacted] and it appears that [redacted] is taking over for [redacted] however, if the truth were known, [redacted] is probably working for [redacted] and they are splitting any financial gains in connection with Klan activities.

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The next meeting scheduled for October 22, 1967, at which time, Klan rituals and induction of new members will be held if any new members are requested.

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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN

Even though this Klan unit now hopes to hold meetings on a regular basis every two weeks, the organization will remain similar to the one which previously met on [redacted] farm and the only real change is that the b6 b7C location site is new.

On October 12, 1967, Chief of Police James Bradley, Loveland, Ohio, was apprised of this complete situation by a Special Agent of the FBI. A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is attached hereto.

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE

KU KLUX KLAN

A P P E N D I X

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
OF OHIO, INC. (NKKKK)

On October 8, 1964, [redacted] Secretary of State's Office, Columbus, State of Ohio, advised public records from this office indicate a charter was granted the NKKKK of Ohio on October 5, 1964, by the State of Ohio. The charter was filed under Certificate Number 10194, and the Corporation Number is 334111.

The purpose of the corporation is to operate as a realm organization within the State of Ohio and in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the National Knights of the KU Klux Klan, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia. Second, to promote patriotism toward the civil government, honorable peace among men and nations, love among ourselves, liberty, justice and patriotic association for the mutual benefit of all mankind.

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The incorporation papers were signed by [redacted]

[redacted] are the corporation trustees.

On October 23, 1964, [redacted] State House, Secretary of State's Office, State of Ohio, advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc.'s charter granted October 5, 1964, was revoked October 22, 1964, for the official reason that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Organization was on the U.S. Attorney General's subversive list. [redacted] said the actual purpose for revocation of the charter was not because the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is on the U.S. Attorney General's subversive list, but because it was felt the existence of a state granted charter would encourage the Klan to make the claim it was "state sanctioned" and therefore entirely legitimate.

In actuality the Ku Klux Klan and not the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has been designated by the U.S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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